



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 6634

LCO No. 4501



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
(GAE)

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM FOR MUNICIPAL
CAMPAIGN FINANCE FILINGS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Within available
2 appropriations, the State Elections Enforcement Commission may
3 establish a pilot program to provide, upon application, assistance to
4 town clerks of not more than twenty municipalities with the
5 completion of some or all of their filing repository duties under section
6 9-603 of the general statutes. The commission shall provide assistance
7 to town clerks in accordance with this section on such terms and in
8 such manner as the commission prescribes. The commission shall
9 establish an application procedure for the program and criteria for the
10 selection of municipalities. Each municipality selected to participate
11 shall implement a plan designed by the commission to transfer some
12 or all of the town clerk's filing repository duties to the commission.
13 Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of section 9-623 of the
14 general statutes, the commission may waive any late filing fee
15 described in said subsection (b) for any candidate or treasurer in a

16 municipality that is participating in the pilot program.

17 (b) The State Elections Enforcement Commission shall conduct a
18 study, within available appropriations, of the efficiency of transferring
19 to the commission from the offices of the town clerks some or all of the
20 filing repository duties under section 9-603 of the general statutes. The
21 study shall include an analysis of the: (1) Cost to municipalities of
22 maintaining the filing repository function, including, but not limited
23 to, personnel, equipment, software, hardware and server space; and (2)
24 capacity of the offices of the town clerks to assist with centralized filing
25 repository duties, including, but not limited to, the availability of
26 personnel and equipment.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To establish a pilot program to allow municipalities to transfer some or all of their filing repository duties to the State Elections Enforcement Commission.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]